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For: MARTENSITIC STAINLESS STEEL

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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September 8, 2006

Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a refund in the amount of \$180.00 for the following reasons: An Information Disclosure Statement was filed on April 24, 2006 disclosing prior art cited in a Chinese office action corresponding with the above mentioned application.

The mailing date of the office action is January 27, 2006, which is clear in the attached translation of the office action. The undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-1088 was erroneously charged \$180.00 on June 7, 2006 (copy of June 2006 deposit account statement attached showing said charge).

Since the Information Disclosure Statement was timely filed within three months of the date of the action, it is respectfully requested that the \$180.00 IDS charged be credited to Deposit Account 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,
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Application No.	02820793.9	
Title of Invention	MARTENSITIC STAINLESS STEEL	

FIRST OFFICE ACTION (For PCT Application Entering the National Phase)

1. The applicant has filed a request for substantive examination on _____ (day/month/year). The examiner has carried out substantive examination on the above mentioned patent application for invention in accordance with the provisions of Article 35(1) of the Chinese Patent Law.

 The Patent Office has decided to carry out a substantive examination on the above mentioned patent application for invention in accordance with the provisions of Article 35(2) of the Chinese Patent Law.
2. The applicant claimed:

 The filing date 2001.10.18 in the Japan Patent Office as the priority date,

 The filing date 2002.7.30 in the Japan Patent Office as the priority date, and

 The filing date _____ in the _____ Patent Office as the priority date.
3. The following amended document(s) submitted by the applicant is (are) unacceptable, as the document(s) is(are) not in conformity with the provisions of Article 33 of the Chinese Patent Law:

 The Chinese translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report,

 The Chinese translation of the amendment submitted under Article 19 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty,

 The Chinese translation of the amendment submitted under Article 28 or 41 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty,

 The amendment submitted in accordance with Rule 51 of the Implementing Regulations of the Chinese Patent Law.

 The detailed reasons for the amendments being unacceptable is described in the text of this office action.
4. The examination was carried out based on the Chinese translation of the international application as originally filed.

 The examination was carried out on the basis of the following application documents:

 The description

 Pages 1-3, 6-7, 10-17, the Chinese translation of the international application as originally filed;

 Pages _____ the Chinese translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report;

 Pages 4, 9 the Chinese translation of the amendment submitted under Article 28 or 41 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty;



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